Senior citizens and persons with disabilities face many obstacles. Rising medical costs, higher insurance rates and physical disabilities can make everyday living a challenge.

As Secretary of State, I am dedicated to providing programs and services that meet the special needs of Illinois' senior citizens and persons with disabilities. Reduced-fee license plates, car insurance discounts, Rules of the Road Review courses and special parking privileges are a few of the programs available through my office's Department of Senior & Community Services that can make your life a little easier.

Serving the people of Illinois is my top priority. I encourage you to contact my office for suggestions on how we might serve you better.

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Illinois State Library

The Illinois State Library has a network of 12 regional library systems throughout the state that provide special services for senior citizens and persons with disabilities. These services include large-print books, Talking Books and books printed in Braille.

Arrangements can be made to have materials delivered to home-bound individuals. Transportation to library programs and other services also is available. For more information, call your local library or the State Library at 800-331-2351.

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Reduced-Fee License Plates

Senior citizens and persons with disabilities who qualify for the Circuit Breaker program can get their license plates at a reduced fee of only $24. To qualify, you must:

- be age 65 or over, or at least age 16 and totally disabled **and**
- have an annual household income of less than $21,218 for an individual, less than $28,480 for a two-person household or less than $35,740 for a household of three of more.
- be an Illinois resident at the time you apply.

For more information and an application for the Circuit Breaker program, please contact:

Illinois Dept. of Revenue
Circuit Breaker Program
P.O. Box 19003
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9003
800-624-2459

Insurance Discounts

Liability insurance discounts are available to eligible drivers age 55 and over who successfully complete an Automobile Insurance Discount Program approved by the Secretary of State.

Parking for Persons with Disabilities

Parking placards and disability license plates are available for persons with a qualifying disability. An application and physician's verification form is required.

Free parking placards are available to persons with permanent or temporary disabilities.

Disability license plates are available to persons who are permanently disabled. The plates may be purchased for one vehicle titled in their name at the same cost as standard license plates.

Veterans with disabilities may obtain special disabled veteran plates if their disabilities are 100 percent service-related.

Rules of the Road Review

The Rules of the Road Review Course is designed to give drivers the knowledge and confidence needed to pass a driver's license renewal exam.

Local organizations sponsor the course under the direction of the Secretary of State's office. This free class is offered more than 3,000 times annually at about 600 locations statewide.

Photo ID Cards

Persons with disabilities and senior citizens age 65 and over are entitled to a free photo ID card. The non-expiring ID card may be obtained at any Driver Services facility upon providing **three forms of identification**. The card is a legal form of identification.

Persons with disabilities can receive a free Illinois Disabled Person's ID Card with proof of eligibility for the Circuit Breaker and/or Parking Program for Persons with Disabilities. Applicants must be Illinois residents and provide a physician's verification of a qualifying disability. Applications are available at your local Driver Services facility.

Speakers Bureau

The Secretary of State's Speakers Bureau offers free presentations on a variety of programs and services administered by the office.

For more information on these programs, please call
800-252-2904
or visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com